Town of Orange

New Hampshire



OFFICIAL REPORTS

1955

TOWN and SCHOOL DISTRICT





Annual Report

OF THE

Selectmen and Other Town Officers

OF THE

TOWN OF ORANGE

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Together with the Reports of the Road
Agent and the School District,
also the Vital Statistics.

FOR THE

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1955

The Reporter Press Canaan, New Hampshire

Town Officers

MODERATOR

Leon W. Woodbury

CLERK

Harry A. Eastman

TREASURER

Harry A. Eastman

SELECTMEN

Harcourt W. Bull

Ray H. Skinner

John E. Pederson

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Periev B. Eastman

DEEDING AGENT

Perley B. Eastman

ROAD AGENT

Perley B. Eastman

CEMETERY AGENT

Harry A. Eastman

CIVIL DEFENSE

Harcourt W. Buli Forrest A. Eastman

CONSTABLE

John E. Pederson

HEALTH OFFICER

Harcourt W. Bull

OVERSEER OF THE POOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS Harcourt W. Bull

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Harcourt W. Bull

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

Cecil R. Corey

Frederick W. Robinson

Harry B. Hazleton

FOREST FIRE WARDEN Walter C. Hammond

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Chester C. Hammond

Ronald C. Hammond

AUDITORS

Archie W. Eastman

Leon W. Woodbury

Town Warrant

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

L.S.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Orange, in the County of Grafton, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Orange on Tuesday, the 13th day of March, next at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

- Article 1. To choose by ballot and plurality vote: A Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, one Selectman for three years, a Tax Collector, a Road Agent, a Constable, one Trustee of Trust Funds, one Library Trustee for three years, two Auditors, one Cemetery Agent, one Overseer of the Poor, Fence Viewers, Measurers of Wood, Bark and Lumber and all other officers that the Town may judge necessary.
- Article 2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the payment of Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation for the same.
- Article 3. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$40 to pay Town House expenses.
- Article 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance of Highways and Bridges, Summer and Winter, and make appropriations for the same.
- Article 5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 for Truck upkeep.
- Article 6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$175.94 for Town Road Aid and the State will contribute the sum of \$1,172.92.

- Article 7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$40 for insurance on the Town House.
- Article 8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$120 for insurance on the Town Truck.
- Article 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$800 for Old Age Assistance.
- Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$20 for the maintenance of the Town Library.
- Article 11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$60 for the maintenance of the Town Cemeteries.
- Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$5 for decorating Soldiers' graves on Memorial Day.
- Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit made by the Division of Municipal Accounting, and make an appropriation for the same.
- Article 14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 for the control of White Pine BLISTER RUST in cooperation with the State Forestry and Recreation Department.
- Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to hire the Canaan Fire Department for services in case of fire in Orange. And raise and appropriate a sum of money for this purpose.
- Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to have an auxiliary fire department and raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay it for house and barn fires in Orange.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes to pay necessary town charges.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Deeding Agent to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired through Tax Collector's Deeds by the town.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of One Thousand Dollars, same to be invested by the governing body of said municipality, and said funds to be known as the Paul Hopkins Hutchinson Trust funds, and the yearly income received therefrom shall be used as received in the perpetual care of the four burial plots in the cemeteries at Orange, New Hampshire containing the remains of (1) Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hubbard Ford; (2) Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eastman; (3) Mr. and Mrs. Adeniram Ford; and (4) Miss Abbie W. Fellows and her family.

Article 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$190 to pay the expenses of two extra fall meetings.

Article 21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to give Enos E. Held a second driveway to his hill field provided the said Enos Held will give to the Town a quittance to any claim he may assume that he has to any part of the Orange Common which has all been in the peaceful possession of the town for upwards of 100 years. The westerly boundary of said Common being a continuation of the line of a wire fence through an oak tree to the highway.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to give a discount on taxes paid in full, within fifteen days from the date of the tax bill.

Article 23. To hear the reports of agents, auditors and other officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 24. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting not included in this Warrant.

Given under our hands and seal, this 20th day of January, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

HARCOURT W. BULL,
RAY H. SKINNER,
JOHN E. PEDERSON,
Selectmen of Orange.

Summary of Inventory 1955

1955	
Land and Buildings	\$187,395
Electric Plants (3)	4,995
Horses (15)	775
Oxen (3)	255
Cows (42)	4,660
Sheep and Goats (9)	60
Fowls (1,200)	950
Wood, Lumber, etc.	5,792
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks (2)	115
Mills and Machinery (3)	5,000
Total Valuation before Allowed Exemptions	\$209,997
Less Soldiers' Exemptions	9,550
Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is computed Number of inventories distributed 147	\$200.,447
Number of inventories returned 101	
Number of Veterans receiving property exemp	otion 11
Number of Veterans exempt from poll taxes	13
Electric Utilities	10
New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc.	\$3,003
Granite State Electric Co.	1,792
Public Service Co. of New Hampshire	200
	\$4,995

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the En Compar

Estimated and Actual Reve				tual Estimated
Sources of Revenue		Rev	enue Revious Pre	venue Revenue vious Ensuing
From State:				÷ 00.00
Interest and Dividend Tax	\$	27.00	,	
Railroad Tax		60.00	58.62	60.00
Savings Bank Tax	1	1.00	4.15	
Reimbursement a-c State forest lan	ıd-	250.00	199.05	200.00
Reimbursement a-c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	1	,000.00	699.03	900.00
From Local Sources Except Ta	axes	:		
Dog Licenses		50.00	54.15	50.00
Business Licenses, Permits and		00.00	0 1120	00.00
Filing Fees		10.00	7.50	7.00
Int. Received on Taxes and Depo	sits	5.00	13.95	10.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		500.00	529.42	500.00
From Local Taxes Other Than				
Property Taxes:				
Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2		100.00	86.00	90.00
Total Revenue from all Sources				***************************************
Except Property Taxes	\$	2,003.00	\$1,690.45	\$1,860.00
Amt. to be Raised by Prop. Taxes				6,890.63
TOTAL REVENUES				\$8,750.63

ORANGE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

suing Year, January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956. ed with

ures of the Previous Year, January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

Appro. Previous Actual

Estimat.

Expend. Expend.

Purpose of Expenditures			rious En	suing ear 56
CURRENT MAINTENAM	NCE EXI	PENSES		
General Government:				
Town Officers' Salaries	\$600.00	\$ 567.00	\$ 600.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	60.00	95.60	60.00	
Election and Registration Expenses Expenses Town Hall and Other	. 90.00	87.00	270.00	
Town Buildings	90.00	69.81	40.00	
Protection of Persons and Prope	erty:			
Police Department	5.00	5.00	5.00	
Fire Department		299.00	100.00	
Blister Rust	200.00	200.00	200.00	
Insurance Health:	150.00	147.45	150.00	
Vital Statistics	5.00	14.00	5.00	
Highways and Bridges:				
Town Maintenance—Summer	500.00	1,081.17	500.00	
Town Maintenance-Winter	1,000.00	1,196.62	1,000.00	
General Expenses of Highway De-				
partment—Truck	200.00	382.42	200.00	
Town Road Aid	175.94		175.91	
Libraries Public Welfare:	20.00	20.00	, 20.00	
Old Age Assistance Patriotic Purposes:	800.00	829.00	830.00	
Memorial Day and Vet. Assoc. Public Service Enterprises:	5.00	5.50	6.00	
Cemeteries Interest:	60.00	72.00	65.00	
On Temporary Loans Payments to Other Gov. Divs.:	80.00	75.00	75.00	
County Taxes	470.00	434.21	450.00	
School Taxes	5,295.92	5,144.16	3,998.72	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$9,806.86	\$10,900.88	\$8,750.63	

Statement of Appropriations and Taxes Assessed for 1955

Town Officers' Salaries	\$575.00
Town Officers' Expenses	60.00
Election and Registration Expenses	90.00
Miscellaneous Officers' Expenses	265.00
Town Hall Maintenance	90.00
Police Department	5.00
Blister Rust	200.00
Vital Statistics	5.00
Town Road Aid	175.94
Town Maintenance—Summer	500.00
Town Maintenance-Winter	1,000.00
Snow Fence	100.00
Truck Expense	200.00
Insurance on Town House	40.00
Insurance on Town Truck	120.00
Libraries	20.00
Old Age Assistance	800.00
Flags for Soldiers' Graves	5.00
Cemeteries	60.00
County Tax	434.21
School Tax	4,082.52

Total Town and School Appropriations 8,827.67

Less Estimated Revenues and Credits

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$	38.58
Railroad Tax		60.00
Savings Bank Tax		1.00
Reimbursement a-c State Lands		260.00
Reimbursement a-c Exemption of		
Growing Wood and Timber	1,	290.74
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		500.00
Dog Licenses		55.00

Interest on Taxes	5.00	
Total Revenues and Credits		\$2,210.32
Plus overlay		\$6,617.35 211.67
Amount to be raised by taxation Less 47 polls at \$2.00		\$6,829.02 94.00
Amount to be raised by Property Taxes on which Tax Rate is		
to be figured		\$6,735.02
Tax Rate		3.36
Taxes to be Committed to the Property Taxes	Tax Colle \$6,735.02	ector

Certificate

This is to certify that the information in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

HARCOURT W. BULL
JOHN E. PEDERSON
Selectmen of Orange

94.00

300.00

591.71

August 23, 1955

Poll Taxes at \$2.00

Head Taxes

Yield Taxes

WAR SERVICE EXEMPTIONS

Paul E. Paro, Leonard A. Roberts, Ralph H. Peaslee, Geoffrey W. Talbot, Dana F. Cummings, Harry B. Hazelton, Clifton V. Wheeler, Chester C. Hammond, Fred W. Robinson, John J. Black, Jeremiah W. O'Shea.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENSES

	Bal. Overrun	S.	35.60		9.00	56.44				196.62	98.54		29.78		.50	12.00	
		\$23.00		3.00				6.75						.55			
	Payments	\$ 567.00	95.50	87.00	14.00	321.44	69.81	33.25	114.20	1,196.62	1,081.17	20.00	829.78	199.45	5.50	72.00	434.21
31, 1955	Total	\$ 590.00	00:09	90.06	5.00	265.00	90.00	40.00	120.00	1,000.00	982.63	20.00	800.00	200.00	5.00	00:00	434,21
December 3	Receipts										\$482.63						
r Year Ending	Amount	\$590.00	00.09	00.06	5.00	265.00	00.06	40.00	120.00	1,000.00	500.00	20.00	800.00	200.00	5.00	00.00	434.21
For	Title of Appropriations	*Officers' Ŝalaries	*Officers' Expenses	*Election and Registration	*Vital Statistics	*Miscellaneous Expenses	Town House Expense	Town House Insurance	Truck Insurance	Highways (Winter)	Highways (Summer)	Libraries	Old Age Assistance	Blister Rust Control	Memorial Day Flags	Cemeteries	County Tax

*Voted in one amount as Town Charges

Net Overdraft

\$59.29 \$438.48 59.29 \$379.19

Financial Report

of the

TOWN OF ORANGE

IN GRAFTON COUNTY

for the

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1955

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

> HARCOURT W. BULL RAY H. SKINNER Selectmen of Orange HARRY A. EASTMAN, Treasurer

Town of Orange, N. H. Balance Assets Cash in hands of treasurer \$1,868,40 Capital Reserve Funds: \$85.35 Fire Pump Fund Truck Fund 25.38 110.73 Accounts Due to the Town: Joint Highway Construc'n Acct. Unexpended Bal. in State Treas. 7.00 Unredeemed Taxes: Levy of 1955 \$210.01 Levy of 1954 240.11 Levy of 1953 328.35 778.47 Uncollected Taxes: Levy of 1955 26.25 35.00 State Head Taxes—Levy of 1955 61.25 Total Assets \$2.825.85 Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt) 12.82 Grand Total \$2,838.67

\$887.99

12.82

875.17

Net Surplus, December 31, 1954

Net Debt, December 31, 1955

Decrease of Surplus

December 31, 1955

Liabilities

Liabilities		
Due to State:		
State Head Taxes—1955		
Uncollected	\$35.00	
Collected — not remitted to		
State Treas.	25.00	
		\$ 60.00
Due to School Districts:		
Bal. of Appropriation		2,660.94
State and Town Joint Hy. Cons	t.:	·
Unexpended bal. in State Treas.		7.00
Capital Reserve Funds		110.73
		117.73
Total Liabilities		\$2,838.67
Grand Total		\$2,838.67

Town of Orange, N. H. Receipts and

Receipts

CURRENT REVENUE

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes Poll Taxes at \$2 Yield Taxes	\$6,735.02 86.00 573.46	
State Head Taxes	265.00	
Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted		\$7,659.48
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes		
Previous years		202.31
Poll Taxes, previous yrs. at \$2		10.00
State Head Taxes at \$5, prev. yrs.		35.00
Interest received on Taxes		13.95
Penalties on State Head Taxes Tax sales redeemed		4.00
Poll Tax Penalties		15.68 3.20
		3.20
From State:		
For Town Road Aid	\$1,165.92	
For Class V Highway maintenance	482.63	
Interest and dividends tax Railroad Tax	38.58	
Savings Bank Tax and Building	58.62	
and Loan Association Tax	4.15	
Reimbursement a/c State forest land		
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of	.0 100.00	
Growing Wood and Timber	699.03	
Bounties	32.50	
		2,680.48
(Receipts carried to pa	ge 18.)	

December 31, 1955

Payments	P	a	V	m	en	ts
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General Government:	4 1421 141	(917)
Town officers' salaries	\$567.00	
Town officers' expenses	95.60	
Election and registration expenses	87.00	
Miscellaneous expenses	321.44	
Expenses town hall and other bdgs		
1		\$1,140.85
Protection of Persons and Prop	erty:	1 -,
Police department	10.00	
Fire dept., including forest fires	299.00	
Blister Rust—moth extermination	200.00	
Bounties	23.50	
Insurance	147.45	
		679.95
Health		
Vital Statistics		14.00
Highways and Bridges:		
Town Road Aid	\$1,341.86	
Town Maintenance		
Summer	1,081.17	
Winter	1,196.62	
Truck upkeep	382,42	
		4,102.07
Libraries		20.00
Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance		829.78
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day and Veteran's Assoc.		5.50
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries		72.00
Unclassified:		

(Payments carried to page 19.)

Town of Orange, N. H. Receipts and

(Receipts brought from page 16.)	
From Local Sources, Except Taxes: Dog licenses \$54.15	
Business licenses, permits and fil- ing fees 7.50)
Registration of motor vehicles, 1955 Permits 529.42	591.07
Receipts Other than Current Revenue: Temporary loans in anticipation of	591.07
taxes during year \$3,000.00 Gas Tax - Blister Rust Control 32.70	
Sale of Town property, Two Cemetery lots and payment on	
Town Owned Land 60.00	
Total Receipts Other than Current Rev.	\$3,092.70
Total Receipts from All Sources Cash on hand January 1, 1955	\$14,307.87 3,599.89
Grand Total	\$17,907.76

Payments

December 31, 1955

(Payments bi	ought from 1	page 17.)	
Taxes bought by town Discounts Abatements and Refund	ls ·	\$210.01 102.45 52.88	
Total Current Main Interest:	tenance Exp).	365.34
Paid on temporary loans pation of taxes Indebtedness: Payments on temporary	y loans in		75.00
anticipation of ta		. D	3,000.00
Payments to Other (Governmenta	l Division	is:
State Head Taxes pd. St 1955 Taxes Prior Yrs.	\$217.00 \$9.50		
		\$256.50	
Taxes paid to County		434.21	
Payments to School Dis			
1954 Tax	\$3,494.16		
1955 Tax	1,650.00		
		5,144.16	
Total Payments to	Other Gover	n-	
mental Divisions	44.70		5.834.87
Total Payments for	*		\$16,039.36
Cash on hand December	31, 1955		1,868.40
Grand Total			\$17,907.76

Schedule of Town Property

DESCRIPTION	VALUE
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$4,000.00
Libraries, Furniture and Equipment	50.00
Fire Department—Equipment	400.00
Highway Department, Buildings	300.00
Equipment	4,000.00
Schools — Equipment	2,000.00
Morse and Cass Land	500.00
Standard Mica Producing Co.,	
Land and Buildings	4,250.00
Mining and Mineral Rights on all lotted land	100.00
Total	\$15,600.00

Auditors' Certificate

We the undersigned, Auditors of the said town of Orange, have examined the reports of the Treasurer, Selectmen, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Road Agent, Trustee of Trust Funds and find them correctly cast and properly vouched for for the year ending December 31, 1955.

January 14, 1956.

LEON W. WOODBURY
DOROTHY HARPOOTLIAN
Auditors

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 1955

Cash on hand January 1, 1955		\$3,599.89
Received of Tax Collector:		
Property taxes	\$6,735.02	
Poll taxes	86.00	
Penalties on poll taxes	2.80	
Yield (timber tax)	573.46	
Interest on taxes	5.35	
Head taxes	265.00	
Penalties on head taxes	2.50	
Poll taxes 1954	10.00	
Penalties on poll taxes 1954	.40	
Head taxes 1954	35.00	
Penalties on head taxes 1954	1.50	
Property taxes 1954	2.24	
Interest 1954	1.87	
Tax redemptions 1954	20.14	
Yield (timber tax) 1954	200.07	
Interest on yield timber tax 1954	2.27	
Received of:		
Town Clerk, auto permits	529.42	
Town Clerk, dog license money	54.15	
Town Clerk, filing fees	6.00	
Selectmen, money hired	3,000.00	
Selectmen, revolver licenses	1.50	
Deeding Agent, Cemetery lots sold	10.00	
James H. Roberts, part payment		
on Morse land	50.00	
Received from State:		
Hedgehog bounties	32.50	
Taxes on State land	199.05	
Reimbursement on Timber tax	699.03	
Motor Vehicle road toll	32.15	
Refund on White Pine Blister Rust	.55	

Highway Class V money

482.63

Saving bank tax	4.15	
Railroad tax	58.62	
Interest and Dividends tax	38.58	
	. ———	
Total Receipts		\$16,741.84
Paid on orders of Selectmen		14,873.44
		-
Cash on hand January 1, 1956		\$1,868.40

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY A. EASTMAN

Town Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Money received for license of de	ogs:	
Male dogs, 10 at \$2.00	\$20.00	
Female dogs, 5 at \$5.00	25.00	
Spayed female dogs, 9 at \$2.00	18.00	
		\$63.00
Expenditures:	:	
25 dog tags and postage	3.48	
Clerk's fees and postage	5.37	
		8.85
Paid Town Treasurer		\$54.15
Auto Account:		
Cash received, 78 auto permits 1955	\$529.42	
Paid Town Treasurer		\$529.42

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY A. EASTMAN, Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES SUMMARY OF WARRANT LEVY OF 1955

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector

Total Credits

raxes committed to concetor		
Property taxes Poll taxes	\$6,735.02	
Total Warrant Yield taxes Added Taxes		\$6,825.02 591.71
Poll taxes	\$4.00	
Penalty on Poll taxes Interest collected	2.80 5.35	
interest confected		12.15
Total Debits		\$7,428.88
CR.		
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property taxes	\$6,436.34	
Poll taxes	86.00	
Penalty on poll taxes	2.80	
Yield taxes	573.46	
Interest collected	5.35	
Discount allowed on property taxes	102.45	
Taxes bought by town	196.23	
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:		
Yield taxes	18.25	
Poll taxes	8.00	
1 Oil taxes		

\$7,428.88

LIST OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES

Poll Taxes:	
*Ernest M. Eastman	\$2.00
Cecelia H. Hammond	2.00
Carl Hill, Jr.	2.00
Marjorie Hill	2.00
Yield Taxes:	
Harrison Putney	17.50
Carl J. Hill, Jr.	.75

Total Uncollected *Paid after settlement

\$26.25

SUMMARY OF WARRANT LEVY OF 1954

DR.		
Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1,	1955:	
Poll taxes	\$10.00	
Penalty on poll taxes	.40	
Interest on poll taxes	.04	
Property taxes	2.24	
Interest on property taxes	.01	
Yield taxes	200.07	
Interest on yield taxes	4.09	
Total Debits		\$216.85
CR.		
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Poll taxes	\$10.00	
Penalty on poll taxes	.40	
Interest on poll taxes	.04	
Property taxes	2.24	
Interest an property taxes	.01	
Yield taxes	200.07	
Interest on yield taxes	4.09	

Total credits

\$216.85

SUMMARY OF WARRANT STATE HEAD TAX LEVY OF 1955

DR.

State Head Taxes Committed to Original warrant Added taxes Penalties	\$290.00 10.00 2.50	
Total Debits		\$302.50
CR.		
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head taxes	\$265.00	
Penalties collected	2.50	
Uncollected head taxes	35.00	
m		#302 FO
Total credits	1.00	\$302.50
List of Uncollected Taxes—Hea		
*Ernest M. Eastman	\$5.00	
*Forest A. Eastman	5.00	
*Laura E. Eastman	5.00	
.Chester C. Hammond	5.00	
Cecelia Hammond	5.00	
Carl Hill, Jr.	5.00	
Marjorie Hill	5.00	
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Total Uncollected		\$35.00
*Paid after Settlement		
SUMMARY OF WAR LEVY OF 1954 DR.		
Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1,	1955:	
Head taxes	\$35.00	
Penalty on head taxes	1.50	
Total Debits		\$36.50

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head taxes

Penalty on head taxes

\$35.00 1.50

Total Credits

\$36.50

SUMMARY OF TAX SALE ACCOUNTS AS OF DEC. 31, 1955

DR.

Tax Sale on Account of Levies of 1955:

- (A) Taxes sold to town during current fiscal year includes cost and int. \$210.01
- (B) Balance of unredeemed taxes of Jan. 1, 1956 210.01

Total Debits

\$210.01

Unredeemed Taxes from Tax Sales:

On account of Levies of 1955 1954 1953

Stand. Mica Producing Corp \$181.18 \$240.11 \$328.35 Heirs of Shepard 28.83

Redemptions from Tax Sales of 1954:

Leo A. Dorr \$20.14

Total \$20.14

I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer as of December 31, 1955, on account of the tax levy of 1955, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

PERLEY B. EASTMAN,

Tax Collector

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

January 1, 1955 to January 1, 1956

General Expense of Highway Department

Received on Orders of Selectmen		\$1,081.17
Perley B. Eastman	\$344.50	
Harry A. Eastman	358.00	
Forest A. Eastman	13.00	
Frederick W Robinson, gas and oil	74.06	
Eben Lashua, loading sand and grave		
Paul Gagnon — labor, grease and		
brake fluid	15.61	
Blaktop Inc.—Cold Patch	100.97	
A. C. Lary, bridge plank	107.38	
H. L. Webster & Sons, parts	11.32	
Neil Andrew gravel	3.60	
Daniel Eastman, labor	12.00	
Warren Bowker, inspection on		
Town truck	1.00	
Tibbits Garage, labor	1.50	
Hartford Motors, Inc., parts	1.33	
Vermont Hardware Co., Inc., labor		
on truck	6.00	
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Total		\$1,081.17
Snow Removal		
Received on Orders of Selectmen Paid:		\$1,196.62
Perley B. Eastman	\$420.65	
Harry A. Eastman	386.20	
Archie L. Eastman	30.75	
Forest A. Eastman	6.00	
Frederick W. Robinson, gas and oil H. L. Webster & Sons, salt, parts	132.80	
and paint	50.54	

Paul Gagnon, welding, grease and		
parts	21.25	
Tibbits Garage, labor	5.00	
Noble-Belisle Mach. Inc., labor and		
repairs on ram	7.48	
Eastern States Farmers Exchange,		
Anti freeze	5.55	
Warren Bowker, inspection on		
town truck	1.00	
Chester C. Hammond, truck, labor		
and plowing snow	107.75	
State of N. H. Highway Dept.,		
thawing culverts	9.40	
Eben Lashua, loading sand and	2.10	
gravel	10.25	
Daniel Eastman, labor and use	10.20	
of car	2.00	
or car	2.00	
Total -		\$1,196.62
Total Truck Equipment		\$1,196.62
Truck Equipment		\$1,196.62 \$382.42
Truck Equipment Received on Orders of Selectmen Paid:	\$19.00	
Truck Equipment Received on Orders of Selectmen Paid: Perley B. Eastman, labor	\$19.00 4.00	
Truck Equipment Received on Orders of Selectmen Paid: Perley B. Eastman, labor Harry A. Eastman, labor	\$19.00 4.00	
Truck Equipment Received on Orders of Selectmen Paid: Perley B. Eastman, labor Harry A. Eastman, labor Noble-Belisle Machinery Inc., 1	4.00	
Truck Equipment Received on Orders of Selectmen Paid: Perley B. Eastman, labor Harry A. Eastman, labor Noble-Belisle Machinery Inc., 1 hand hyd. pump	4.00	
Truck Equipment Received on Orders of Selectmen Paid: Perley B. Eastman, labor Harry A. Eastman, labor Noble-Beiisle Machinery Inc., 1 hand hyd. pump Putnam's Garage—truck tires	4.00 35.50 189.50	
Truck Equipment Received on Orders of Selectmen Paid: Perley B. Eastman, labor Harry A. Eastman, labor Noble-Belisle Machinery Inc., 1 hand hyd. pump Putnam's Garage—truck tires H. L. Webster & Sons, labor and part	4.00 35.50 189.50	
Truck Equipment Received on Orders of Selectmen Paid: Perley B. Eastman, labor Harry A. Eastman, labor Noble-Beiisle Machinery Inc., 1 hand hyd. pump Putnam's Garage—truck tires	4.00 35.50 189.50 ts 20.84	
Truck Equipment Received on Orders of Selectmen Paid: Perley B. Eastman, labor Harry A. Eastman, labor Noble-Belisle Machinery Inc., 1 hand hyd. pump Putnam's Garage—truck tires H. L. Webster & Sons, labor and part Hathorn's Garage Inc., 88 lbs. steel	4.00 35.50 189.50 ts 20.84	
Truck Equipment Received on Orders of Selectmen Paid: Perley B. Eastman, labor Harry A. Eastman, labor Noble-Belisle Machinery Inc., 1 hand hyd. pump Putnam's Garage—truck tires H. L. Webster & Sons, labor and part Hathorn's Garage Inc., 88 lbs. steel Echols Parts Co., parts	4.00 35.50 189.50 ts 20.84 13.81 77.27	
Truck Equipment Received on Orders of Selectmen Paid: Perley B. Eastman, labor Harry A. Eastman, labor Noble-Beiisle Machinery Inc., 1 hand hyd. pump Putnam's Garage—truck tires H. L. Webster & Sons, labor and part Hathorn's Garage Inc., 88 lbs. steel Echols Parts Co., parts Paul Gagnon, labor and parts	4.00 35.50 189.50 ts 20.84 13.81 77.27 21.00	
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PERLEY B. EASTMAN.
Road Agent

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

General Government

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Town Officers' Salaries:		
Harry A. Eastman, Justice of the Peace	\$4.50	
Harry A. Eastman, Clerk and Treas.	75.00	
Perley B. Eastman, Tax Collector	159.50	
John E. Pederson, Selectman	64.00	
Ray H. Skinner, Selectman	40.00	
Harcourt W.Bull, Selectman	206.00	
Archie W. Eastman, Auditor	9.00	
Leon W. Woodbury, Auditor	9.00	
		\$ 567.00
Town Officers' Expenses:		
Frank K. Clarke, Officers' Bonds	\$22.50	
Perley B. Eastman, Tax Collector	4.83	
Harry A. Eastman, Clerk & Treas.	32.35	
John E. Pederson, Selectman	12.00	
Harcourt W. Bull, Selectman	23.92	
		95.60
Election and Registration	on	
Leon W. Woodbury, Moderator	\$ 8.00	
John E. Pederson, Election Officer	8.00	
Ray H. Skinner, Election Officer	;8.00	
Harcourt W. Bull, Election Officer	8.00	
Cecil R. Corey, Supervisor	10.00	
Harry Hazelton, Supervisor	12.50	
Fred W. Robinson, Supervisor	12.50	
Thelma M. Hammond, Ballot Clerk	5.00	
Viola R. Eastman, Ballot Clerk	5.00	
Ileen C. Robinson, Ballot Clerk	5.00	
Anna M. Hazelton, Ballot Clerk	5.00	
_		87.00
Miscellaneous Expense	s	
Recording and Statistical Co.		
	\$ 7.50	
F. J. Shores, Register		
Anna D. Proctor, Reg. of Probate	.20	

N.H. Tax Collector Assoc.	3.00	
Harcourt W. Bull, Constable Badge	3.00	
Sargent Bros. Printing	12.30	
Edson C. Eastman	5.20	
Chas. R. Hardy, Clerk's Assoc.	2.00	
Viola R. Eastman, Recording	12.00	
Harry A. Eastman, Auto Permits	39.00	
Brown & Saltmarsh	24.35	
F. J. Shores, Register	2.89	
Reporter Press	210.00	
* 		321.44
Town House Evnans	•	021.11
Town House Expense	\$31.38	
N.H. Electric Co-op.		
Leon W. Woodbury, grass cut	5.00	
Harcourt W. Bull, chairs	33.43	60.01
	***************************************	69.81
Police Department		
Gordon Smith, Constable (1954)	\$5.00	
Forest A. Eastman, Constable	5.00	
_		10.00
Fire Department		
Walter C. Hammond (2 barn fires)	\$18.00	
Ronald C. Hammond (2 barn fires)	9.00	
Chester C. Hammond (2 barn fires)	30.00	
Harry Kimball (2 barn fires)	11.00	
James Sousa	6.00	
Eugene Doe	4.00	
Elmer Romell	4.00	
Clyde Chapman	2.00	
Paul Tarr	7.00	
Leslie Mansur	11.00	
Gilbert Downing	4.00	
Arlon Remick	8.00	
Leon Valia	10.00	
Harold Tibbetts	2.00	
Harold Tibbetts	2.00	
TIGIOIG TIDDOCCO	2.00	

Town of Canaan (2 barn fires)	171.00	299.00		
Bounties				
Harry A. Eastman Harcourt W. Bull Leo A. Dorr	\$17.00 3.50 3.00	22.50		
TT: 1 G: .:		23.50		
Vital Statistics Harry A. Eastman, Clerk		14.00		
Town Road Aid				
Town Share State Share	\$ 175.94 1,165.92			
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Highway Department Summer Maintenance:	nτ			
Perley B. Eastman, Road Agent S Winter Maintenance:	\$1,081.17			
Perley B. Eastman, Road Agent	1,196.62	2,277.79		
Blister Rust		2,217.19		
W. H. Messick, Jr. Insurance		200.00		
Farm Bureau on Truck Frank K. Clarke, on Town House	\$114.20 33.25			
		147.45		
Truck Upkeep				
Perley B. Eastman, Road Agent Patriotic Purposes	,	382.42		
Harry A. Eastman, Cemetery Agt. fla Cemeteries		5.50		
Harry A. Eastman, Cemetery Agent Old Age Assistance		72.00		
State of New Hampshire	•	829.78		
County Tax				
County Treasurer		434.21		
Payment on Temporary Loan				
National Bank of Lebanon		3,000.00		

Interest on Temporary Loan National Bank of Lebanon School Department	75.00				
Ileen C. Robinson, School Treasurer Bal. of 1954, 1955 appro. \$3,494.16					
Bal. of 1954, 1955 appro. \$3,494.16 Paym't an acct., 1955-1956 appro. 1,650.00					
	5,144.16				
Discount Allowed on Taxes					
Perley B. Eastman, Tax Collector	102.45				
Taxes Bought by the Town					
Perley B. Eastman, Tax Collector \$197.21					
Costs on Taxes Bought 12.80					
	210.01				
State Head Taxes					
State Treasurer	256.50				
Libraries					
Harcourt W Bull, Library Trustee	20.00				
Abatements and Refunds					
Perley B. Eastman, Tax Collector \$26.00					
Arthur A. Williams 26.88					
	52.88				
Total Payments for all purposes	\$16,039.36				
LIBRARY REPORT					
Cash on hand January 1, 1955	NONE				
Cash received from Town Treasurer in 1955	\$20.00				
Cash paid for books in 1955	20.00				
Balance on hand January 1, 1956	NONE				
Number of books in Library Jan. 1, '55 1,354					
Number of books added in 1955 43					
Number of books in Library Jan. 1, '56 1,397					
Number of books loaned during 1955 86					
HARCOURT W. B	ULL				

Report of Trust Funds for the Town of Orange, N. H.

For Year Ending December 31, 1955

Aug. 23, 1915 May 2, 1917 Mar 28, 1933 Aug. 9, 1943 Mar. 20, 1945 Mar. 27, 1934 Mar. 29, 1950	Date of Creation
Hannah M. French, Cemetery Jennie B. French, Cemetery Arthur A. Briggs, Cemetery Asa Hoyt, Cemetery Fire Pump Fund (Cap. Res. Fund Clara A. Huse, Cemetery Fund Truck Fund (Cap. Res. Fund)	TRUST FUNDS—Purpose of Creation
Amoskeag Savings Bank Amoskeag Savings Bank Amoskeag Savings Bank Amoskeag Savings Bank Amoskeag Savings Bank N. H. Savings Bank Amoskeag Savings Bank	How Invested
\$200.00 \$42.21 3% \$7.93 none \$250.14 200.00 61.70 " 8.55 270.25 100.00 14.25 " 3.74 117.99 100.00 7.95 " 3.51 111.46 55.67 26.97 " 2.68 85.32 100.00 9.25 " 3.29 112.54 32 24.29 " .78 25.38	Balance Income Rate Inc. Exp. Balance Beg. Beg. of Dur. Dur. End Year Year Int. Year Year Year

CERTIFICATE.—This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HARCOHRT W RIHI Tructor

Vital Statistics

FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1955

REPORT OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

Births

Date of birth, place of birth and name of child (if any); name of father and maiden name of mother.

Apr. 2, Hanover, Debra Ann, Ronald C. Hammond, Nina R. Jones,

Marriages

NONE

Deaths

Date and place of death; name and surname of deceased and age.

Jan. 29. Hanover, Charlotte W. Chapman, 50

Feb. 7. Concord, Joseph D. Murray, 73

I hereby certify that the above returns are corrrect according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HARRY A. EASTMAN ,
Town Clerk

Report of the School District

DISTRICT OFFICERS

LEON WOODBURY	Moderator
ILEEN C. ROBINSON	Treasurer
ILEEN C. ROBINSON	Clerk
MARY L. ROBERTS	Auditor

School Board

FREDERICK ROBINSON	Term	expires	1956
THELMA HAMMOND	Term	expires	1957
LUCINDA WOODBURY	Term	expires	1958

Superintendent of Schools

C. Maurice Gray
Attendance Officer
Leon Woodbury
School Nurse
Ellen F. Williams, R. N.

FINANCIAL REPORT Treasurer's Report

Summary: Cash on hand July 1, 1954	\$ 587.04
Received from Selectmen,	1
Current appropriation	6,494.16
Total Amt. Available for Fiscal Yr. Less School Board Orders paid	\$7,081.20 6,149.10

Balance on Hand as of June 30, 1955 \$932.10 ILEEN C. ROBINSON, Treasurer

Auditor's Certificate

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Orange of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955 and find them correct in all respects.

MARY L. ROBERTS, Auditor

School Board's Report

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Receipts:		
From Selectmen, appropriation		\$6,494.16
Cash on hand June 30, 1954		587.04
Grand Total		\$7,081.20
DETAILED STATEMENT O	F PAYME	ENTS
Salaries of District Officers:		
Lucinda Woodbury, school board	\$25.00	
Frederick Robinson, school board	25.00	
Thelma Hammond, school board	25.00	
Ileen Robinson, clerk and treas.	25.00	
Leon W. Woodbury, truant officer,		
census and moderator	28.00	
Ruth L. Colligen, auditor	4.00	
		\$ 132.00
Superintendent's Salary:		
Supervisory Union No. 4		40.88
Expenses of Administration:		
Supervisory Union No. 4,		
clerk and office expenses	\$48.21	
N. H. School Boards Assoc., dues	2.00	
Ileen Robinson, expenses	.87	
		51.08
Medical Supervision:		
Supervisory Union No. 4, nurse's sa	lary	18.72
Transportation of Pupils:		
Daniel Eastman	\$1,200.00	
Alfred S. Cady	422.50	
·		1,622.50
High School Tuition:		
Lebanon Schol District	\$ 275.00	
Canaan School District	2,055.56	
		2,330.56
Elementary School Tuition:		
Canaan School District		1,890.78

Insurance:	
Frank K. Clarke, treasurer's bond	5.00
Per Capita Tax:	
State Treasurer	52.00
Retirement:	
Supervisory Union No. 4, Supt.	
and Nurse's retirement	5.58
Total Expenditures	\$6,149.10
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Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

FREDERICK W. ROBINSON THELMA M. HAMMOND LUCINDA WOODBURY

School Board

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GENERAL STATISTICS

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Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
1954-55	4	2	2	0	2	1	2	1	3	3	0	2	22

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1955-56

Tuition Pupils 1955-56

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Canaan Elementary School	Rate \$125.00
Mazie Hill	Grade 1
Lee Smith (18 days)	" 1.
Eleanor Chandler	" 2
Carol Eastman	" 2,
Evelyn Hammond	" 2
Susan Hill	" 2
Lyle Smith (18 days	." 2
Jerry O'Shea	" : 3
Chester Smith (18 days)	· ." 3·

David J. Williams (18 days)	" 3
Harold Hill	" 3
Linda Jones	" 4
Barbara Powell	" 4
Margaret Day	" 6
Joyce Eastman	" 6
Sandra Paynotta	" 7
Harry Race	" 7
Clifton Wheeler	" 8
Helen Jones	" 8
Canaan High School	Rate \$250.00
Jeanette Jones	Grade 10
Nancy Pettes	" 10
Mary Louise Pettes	" 11
Marjorie Tibbits	" 11
Lebanon High School	Rate
Mary Paynotta	Grade 10
Mildred Robinson	" 12

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1956-57

Open Sept. 5 (Wed.)
Open Jan. 2 (Wed.)
Open Feb. 25
Open April 29
Close Dec. 21 (Fri. 12:30)
Close Feb. 15
Close April 19
Close June 12 (Wed.)
Days out: Nov. 22, 23; May 30, 31
Close 12:30 Nov. 21, Dec. 21

Total number of days required by State Board is 180 including 3 for institutes and conventions and up to five for workshops.

Pupils must attend school if 6 by September 30 and may enter if 6 by January 1.

Vaccination is required by state law unless child has written excuse from doctor.

Superintendent's Report 1955-56

We wish again to emphasize the most serious shortage of teachers who are qualified through either training or successful experience, or both, and to quote material based on a study financed by the Ford Foundation for the Advancement of Education and written by Mr. Beardsley Ruml and Sidney G. Tickton, noted business men. The demand for teachers is great and will increase for years to come because: (1) The total number of births during the depression years was relatively very small (the present college age group); (2) 1954 produced the biggest crop of babies yet with over 4 million being born in comparison with less than 3 million in 1944; (3) In the next 10 years we will need to recruit three new teachers for every two now employed; (4) It would take half of all college graduates for each of the next 10 years to meet this demand; (5) We have now 9,200,000 pupils in the 14-17 age level but in 1965 there will be 14,200,000! The above constitute basic facts, the foundation of serious troubles, and can not be changed. These in themselves create a tremendous shortage of teachers, making a very restricted economic supply of a scarce commodity and resulting in an increasing market value of the same, higher salaries. Added to this shortage and increased demand due to increased number of pupils we have a rising salary level in the field of industries as shown below:

Average Wages 1953

Workers auto manufacturing	\$4,947
Coal mining	4,198
Electrical Machinery	3,956
Telephone operators N. Y. Tel. Co.	3,224
Teachers big city high schools	5,526
Teachers small city high schools	4,292
Teachers small city elementary schools	3,682
Teachers small town elementary schools	3,190

From this it can be seen that there is little incentive for a pupil to spend four years, or more, of his life, and a considerable capital investment in a vocation paying less than jobs in industry which pay as you learn. Earning over \$10,000 per year were 41% of the physicians and surgeons, 28% of the lawyers and judges, and 24.6% of the dentists, and .95% of the teachers.

Why does anyone enter the teaching profession today? What are these basic figures going to do to every salary paid any teacher in the years to come? No amount of unfavorable publicity or unkind belittling thinking can change the demand for teachers caused by children already born and who will be educated during the next 20 years.

Much is being written about the poor quality of education of today and most of it implies great superiority of past educational systems. How did we get into such dire circumstances, if we are in them, when the situations of today are the results of a supposedly superior educational systems of previous generations? Certain it is that those now in school and yet to go to school can not be blamed for circumstances due to their parents and grandparents. We are trying to blame the newly born for errors of our own, and past generations, which errors actually may not be very great anyway. Somehow or another the people of the United States past and present, (and future, I'm sure) have given an account of themselves unmatched, and universally envied. We might ask, "How good can we get?" The answer is, of course, "Better." That's the premise we work with, and always will, but to do so and keep some small degree of sanity requires a judicious omission of much that is being popularized at the moment. For instance, reading is taking a "panning" at the moment (it was history a few years ago and it will be either math or spelling in a year or so.) Most of what is being written assumes that we know nothing about two things:

(1) How to teach reading; (2) What results we are now getting.

Let's look briefly at results of nationally standardized tests given every year in Union No. 4. To avoid exact identification we will assume the grades taken to be fictitious although the figures used are basically correct. Twenty four out of 35 in grade 6 scored above grade level in reading last April with the highest level above grade 10; 12 were at the 8th grade level or higher. In grade 5 fifteen out of 30 were above grade with 8 above grade 7. More of the same could be quoted based on recorded facts but let's reverse the figures and say that 15 out of 30 were below grade level, which is true. Popularly these are the ones that get into print! But let's go one step further and say that the abilities of the pupils in this grade vary from border line feeblemindedness to high superiority but none near the genius level. We are speaking here of those abilities necessary to acquire a high degree of reading ability or academic achievement. We are not considering mechanical, social, artistic, musical, or any number of other abilities. In summary we can say that our results are as anyone acquainted with human beings knows deep down in his heart and secretly admits to his conscience; an average grade will test average in accomplishement with bright pupils achieving brilliantly and dull ones doing below a standardized level with exceptions both ways accasionally thrown in for good measure; a mathematical average. whether of business profits or grade achievements, is composed of all elements both good and bad. Schools have one great handicap from the viewpoint of achieving only top quality results; We can not give the "pink slip" to those not improving our product! We might add here, in view of some recent publicity nationally, that it takes a mighty smart youngster with exceptional ability in mathematics to become an engineer; just requiring all pupils to take four years of high school math

is not going to automatically produce atomic scientists but will produce an amazingly large number of flunks in high school!

Some few years ago the "better" schools were deemphasizing marks to such an extent that those of us who were still "old-fashioned" enough to cling to them were just not accepted as being quite normal! A recent article has been written stating that marks are very much in style, are perhaps being stressed too much not because of not being in step with modern trends but because so many scholarships are being offered putting a very high premium on marks and slighting those which may have other abilities equally important, or more so, than those necessary to achieve good grades. And so the educational pendulum swings in another arc! Past performance is still one of the best indexes we have to predict future success.

The last legislature increased state aid to needy school districts from \$900,000 to \$1,200,000 which when read one way is a 50% increase but when looked at from another angle is a mere \$300,000, hardly enough to build a high school for 150 pupils. When the tough educational problems facing us, and some are in Union 4, are carefully analyzed this is a very small amount of money when compared with what some of us believe will be eventually necessary to even partially meet our educational needs. Canaan received \$19,400 of state aid; Danbury \$8,143; Alexandria and Orange some few dollars over \$1,000. The first two are significant amounts but are small when compared with present and future needs (particularly the latter). Even towns not receiving aid at present, and who may never under a formula based on need as measured at present, may well require significant amounts of aid to meet future needs including salary spirals. The local real estate tax should not be expected to meet all of these costs and the state with its different sources of tax money will be required to help

more and more or the federal government will be forced into educational fields because of its biggest source of revenues, the individual income tax of which New England contributes a share far in excess of its population. We are now paying for federal projects benefiting other sections of the country and should not be too squeamish about getting more of it back here, at least for capital improvements for schools, flood control and like projects. We believe in local control of education, the least amount of state control, and no federal control, if possible, but, at present, we can not forsee the local unit being able to increase its contribution indefinitely, forsee the state as being reluctant to be financially realistic in its educational obligations, and only a hodgepodge of ideas at the national level. A state building aid bill was passed providing aid beginning with the school year of 1956-57 provided funds become available. This would pay up to 20% of outstanding debt for a current year of buildings approved by the Department of Education. It seems unwise to plan on receiving much from this source because it is too indefinite. This bill marks a step up in the right direction and we have hopes of its increasing in future years. Educational costs are bound to increase very materially in the years to come due to the pressure of more children, if for no other cause.

Respectfully submitted, C. MAURICE GRAY

			Union No. 4 1	Budget				
	Nurse	Travel	Office		Conv.	Supt.		Total
	09 68 \$	\$ 56.00	\$ 22.22		\$ 5.42	\$ 197.83		\$ 520.12
ater	104.16	65.10	25.83		6.30	229.95		604.59
arci	634.72	396.70	157.69		38.46	1,403.79		3,689.01
	444.00	277.50	110.78		27.02	986.23		2,588.58
	127.04	79.40	31.65		7.72	281.78		739.89
	108.96	68.10	27.10		6.61	241.26		633.81
			12.26		2.99	109.14		206.61
	72.80	45.50	17.88		4.36	159.14		419.58
	18.72	11.70	4.59		1.12	40.88		107.81
Totals	\$1,600.00	\$1,000.00	\$410.00	\$1,750.00	\$100.00	\$3,650.00	\$1,000.00	\$9,510.00

COMPARATIVE BUDGETS

Item	Expend. 1954-55	Budget 1955-56	Est. Bud. 1956-57
ADMINISTRATION			
Salaries of District Officers	\$ 132.00	\$ 132.00	\$ 132.00
Supt's Salary (local share)	40.88	40.88	39.31
Tax for State wide Supervision	52.00	50.00	54.00
Salaries of Admin. Personnel	19.60	22.40	18.50
Supplies and Expenses	31.48	44.00	40.00
AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES			
Health Supervision	18.72	21.64	17.11
Transportation of Pupils	1,622.50	1,650.00	1,642.50
Tuition, High School	2,330.56	2,000.00	2,050.00
Tuition, Elementary	1,890.78	2,125.00	1,680.00
FIXED CHARGES			
Retirement	5.58	5.00	5.00
Insurance, Treas, bond and expense	5.00	5.00	5.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$6,149.10	\$6,095.92	\$5,683.42

School Board's Estimate 1956-57

Estimated Balance	\$ 684.70
State Aid	1,000.00
Total Other than Property Taxes	\$1,684.70
District Assessment	3998.72
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	\$5,683.42

The following article is suggested by the Tax Commission to pro-

vide for the appropriation:

To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

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